

2. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein the MFR of said outer ply (b) is 0.1 to 3 g/10min.

Please replace Claim 3 with the following.

3. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein the MFR of said outer ply (b) is 0.5 to 2 g/10min.

Please replace Claim 4 with the following.

4. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein the MFR of said inner ply (i) is at least twice the MFR of said outer ply (b).

Please replace Claim 5 with the following.

5. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein the MFR of said inner ply (i) is at least thrice the MFR of said outer ply (b).

Please replace Claim 6 with the following.

6. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein the weight per area of said inner ply (i) is at least 60 % of the weight per area of said multi-plied laminate (l).

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7. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein the weight per are of said inner ply (i) is at least 70 % of the weight per area of said multi-plied laminate (l).

Please replace Claim 8 with the following.

8. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein said outer ply (b) has a thickness of 5 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Please replace Claim 9 with the following.

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9. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein  
said outer ply (b) has a thickness of 10 to 30  $\mu\text{m}$ .

*Please replace Claim 10 with the following.*

10. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein  
said outer ply (b) has a thickness of 10 to 20  $\mu\text{m}$ .

*Please replace Claim 12 with the following.*

12. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein  
said inner ply (i) includes two plies.

*Please replace Claim 13 with the following.*

13. (Twice Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein  
said outer-ply polymeric resin comprises at least one member selected from the  
group consisting of ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymer, ethylene/unsaturated ester co-  
polymer, ethylene/unsaturated carboxylic acid copolymer, salt of  
ethylene/unsaturated carboxylic acid copolymer, low density polyethylene, high  
density polyethylene, and copolymer of ethylene and  $\alpha$ -olefin having at least 3  
carbon atoms.

*Please replace Claim 17 with the following.*

17. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein  
said inner ply polymeric resin comprises at least one member selected from the group  
consisting of ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymer, ethylene/unsaturated ester  
copolymer, ethylene unsaturated carboxylic acid copolymer, salt of  
ethylene/unsaturated carboxylic acid copolymer, low density polyethylene, high  
density polyethylene, and copolymer of ethylene and  $\alpha$ -olefin having at least 3  
carbon atoms.

*Please replace Claim 18 with the following.*

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18. (Twice Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein said outer ply polymeric resin comprises at least one member selected from the group consisting of: ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymer wherein content of vinyl acetate is at most 20 % relative to the weight of said copolymer; ethylene/unsaturated carboxylic acid copolymer wherein content of carboxylic acid is at most 8 % relative to the weight of said copolymer; salt of ethylene/unsaturated carboxylic acid copolymer having a content of carboxylic acid of at most 10 % relative to the weight of said copolymer; low density polyethylene having a density of 0.91 to 0.935 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; and copolymer of ethylene and  $\alpha$ -olefin having density of 0.90 to 0.94 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.

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*[Please replace Claim 19 with the following.]*

19. (Twice Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein said inner ply polymeric resin comprises at least one member selected from the group consisting of: ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymer wherein content of vinyl acetate is at most 20 % relative to the weight of said copolymer; ethylene/unsaturated carboxylic acid copolymer wherein content of carboxylic acid is at most 8 % relative to the weight of said copolymer; salt of ethylene/unsaturated carboxylic acid copolymer having a content of carboxylic acid of at most 10 % relative to the weight of said copolymer; low density polyethylene having a density of 0.91 to 0.935 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; and copolymer of ethylene and  $\alpha$ -olefin having density of 0.90 to 0.94 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.

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*[Please replace Claim 20 with the following.]*

20. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein said outer ply (b) comprises a copolymer of ethylene and  $\alpha$ -olefin.

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*[Please replace Claim 23 with the following.]*

23. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein at least one of said inner ply (i) and said outer ply (b) include at least one of anti-blocking additives and dyes.

Please replace Claim 24 with the following.]

~~24. (Once Amended, Clean) The multi-plied laminate of Claim 31 wherein  
said outer ply (b) comprises 0.1 to 2 % relative to the weight of said outer ply (b) of  
solid inorganic particles selected form the group consisting of silicon oxide, calcium  
carbonate, magnesium silicate, aluminum silicate, calcium phosphate and talc.~~

Please replace Claim 25 with the following.]

~~25. (Once Amended, Clean) A composite film comprising the multi-plied  
laminate of Claim 31.~~

Please replace Claim 26 with the following.]

~~26. (Twice Amended, Clean) The composite film of Claim 25 further  
comprising a substrate selected from the group consisting of metal, cardboard,  
paper, paperboard, textile, non-woven fabric, woven fabric, plastic and composites  
thereof, said plastic being other than said outer ply polymer resin and said inner ply  
polymer resin.~~

Please replace Claim 30 with the following.]

~~30. (Once Amended, Clean) A composite film comprising the multi-plied  
laminate (l) of Claim 31 as a heat sealable layer with said outer ply (b) being one  
outer layer of said laminate.~~